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October 1964

## MISSION COVERAGE INDEX

25X1A

MISSIONS  1238XB, 1239

24 OCTOBER 1964

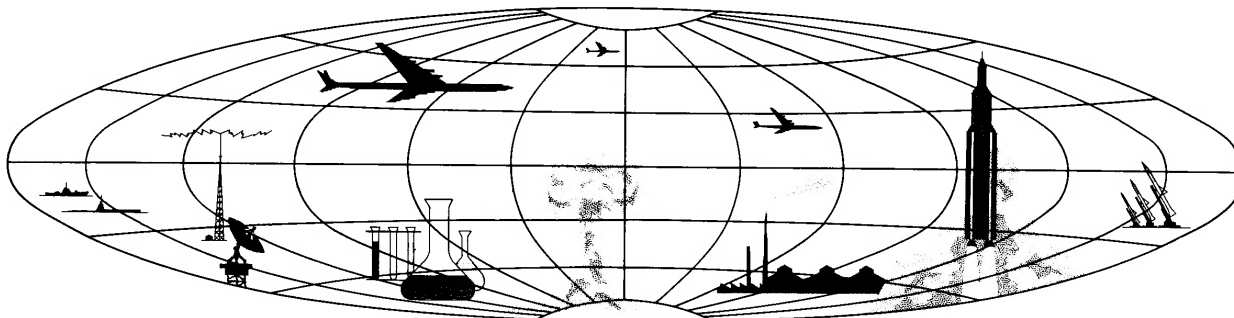


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PREFACE

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THIS MISSION COVERAGE INDEX (MCI) LISTS THE INTELLIGENCE TARGETS IMAGED ON THE PHOTOGRAPHY OF [REDACTED] MISSIONS 1238XB, 1239 DATED 24 OCTOBER 1964 COVERING LAOS AND NORTH VIETNAM. ITEMS ARE ARRANGED IN THREE SECTIONS --

SECTION I PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGES, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

SECTION II PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH REFLECT NO APPARENT CHANGE IN FACILITIES FROM THE MOST ADEQUATE PREVIOUS DESCRIPTION. THE MCI IN WHICH THIS DESCRIPTION APPEARS IS DESIGNATED BY THE APPROPRIATE MISSION NUMBER, PREFIXED BY THE LETTERS NAC AND APPEARING AS THE LAST ENTRY ON THE PHOTO REFERENCE LINE. MILITARY INSTALLATIONS WHERE THERE IS NO SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FACILITIES AND WHERE NO ORDER OF BATTLE CAN BE DETERMINED ARE LISTED UNDER THIS SECTION.

SECTION III PROVIDES A LISTING OF THOSE TARGETS WHICH COULD BE IDENTIFIED BUT NOT INTERPRETED.

TARGETS IN EACH SECTION ARE ARRANGED 1) BY COUNTRY, 2) WITHIN THE COUNTRY ACCORDING TO SUBJECT, 3) WITHIN THE SUBJECT BY WAC AREA, AND 4) WITHIN THE WAC AREA BY GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES IN ASCENDING ORDER. AN EXPLANATION OF COLUMN HEADINGS AND PHOTO

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REFERENCES USED IN PRESENTING THE INFORMATION IS CONTAINED IN THE APPENDIX. THE MAP BASE USED (WHEN AVAILABLE) FOR THE DERIVATION OF COORDINATES IN THIS MCI IS THE LATEST EDITION OF THE AMS SERIES L509, SCALE 1/250,000 AND L7012 AND L004, 1/50,000.

THE USER OF THIS MCI IS CAUTIONED THAT THE SCAN OF PHOTOGRAPHY WAS ACCOMPLISHED IN A RELATIVELY SHORT TIME AND OFTEN WITHOUT THE AID OF PRECISE ANALYTICAL AND MENSURAL TECHNIQUES COMMONLY EMPLOYED IN DETAILED PHOTOGRAPHIC ANALYSIS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALTHOUGH THE INFORMATION PRESENTED HEREIN IS ESSENTIALLY ACCURATE, ADDITIONAL, DETAILED ANALYSIS MAY SOMEWHAT ALTER PORTIONS OF THE INFORMATION.

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## SECTION I

THIS SECTION PROVIDES SHORT DESCRIPTIONS FOR NEWLY IDENTIFIED TARGETS AND PREVIOUSLY REPORTED TARGETS SHOWING CHANGE, AND ALSO PROVIDES ORDER OF BATTLE INFORMATION.

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>TCHEPONE AIRFIELD</p> <p>2.1 NM NW OF TCHEPONE.</p> <p>3,900 X 70 FT NE/SW PROBABLE GRADED EARTH RUNWAY, UNSERVICEABLE.</p> <p>FACILITIES INCLUDE ONE T-SHAPED ADMINISTRATION BUILDING AT THE SW END OF RUNWAY AND AT LEAST 4 SMALL BUILDINGS IN A WOODED AREA JUST NW OF THE SW END OF THE RUNWAY.</p> <p>DEFENSES INCLUDE 3 REVETTED UNOCCUPIED AW/ LIGHT AAA POSITIONS AND TRENCHES AT THE SW END OF THE RUNWAY.</p> <p>AIRCRAFT -- NONE OBSERVED.</p> <p>COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1643N 10612E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	124
<p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>TCHEPONE ARMY BARRACKS NW</p> <p>0.2 NM WEST OF ROUTE 9 HIGHWAY BRIDGE OVER THE SE BANG HIENG (RIVER) AND 1.6 NM NW OF TCHEPONE AT UTM [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>MILITARY AREA CONTAINS 6 BARRACKS-TYPE BUILDINGS, ONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ONE L-SHAPED BUILDING, 5 SMALL SUPPORT BUILDINGS, AND 2 GUARD POSTS. THE L-SHAPED BUILDING IS NOW IDENTIFIED AS A VEHICLE STORAGE/ MAINTENANCE BUILDING WITH 19 STALLS.</p> <p>AREA AT UTM [REDACTED] FORMERLY REPORTED AS 25X1D</p> <p>NON-MILITARY, CONTAINS ONE PROBABLE BARRACKS, ONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, AND ONE SUPPORT</p>	1642N 10613E	0617	25X1A [REDACTED]	124-C


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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
<p>BUILDING.</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN RIAC AREA, STRONGPOINT [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>1.9 NM WNW OF BAN RIAC AT UTM [REDACTED]</p> <p>STRONGPOINT CONTAINS 2 POSSIBLE BARRACKS AND ONE SHED. ONE OTHER BUILDING THE SIZE OF THE POSSIBLE BARRACKS HAS BEEN DISMANTLED, AND ANOTHER APPEARS TO BE IN A STATE OF DISREPAIR AND COLLAPSED. THE TWO BUILDINGS THAT REMAIN APPEAR ACTIVE.</p> <p>AT AN UNNAMED VILLAGE 2,100 FT NORTH OF THIS STRONGPOINT AT UTM [REDACTED] A BOMBING ATTACK HAS TAKEN PLACE. FOURTEEN BOMB CRATERS OBSERVED IN PAIRS AND PATTERNED IN AN EAST TO WEST DIRECTION. NO BOMB DAMAGE OF ANY KIND OBSERVED ON CLEAR, GOOD QUALITY PHOTOGRAPHY. COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN TRIM, MILITARY CAMP [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>NE EDGE OF BAN TRIM AT UTM [REDACTED]</p> <p>MILITARY CAMP CONTAINS 4 BARRACKS, ONE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, ONE MESSHALL, 10 SMALL SUPPORT BUILDINGS, AND A TRENCH SYSTEM WITH NUMEROUS FIRING BAYS. ONE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED BARRACKS HAS BEEN DISMANTLED.</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN NA NHOM, MILITARY AREA [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>NORTH EDGE OF BAN NA NHOM AT UTM [REDACTED]</p>	<p>1653N 10628E</p> <p>1653N 10632E</p> <p>1702N 10544E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>	<p>225</p> <p>221-A</p> <p>271</p>	

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Target	Coordinates	WAC	Target Numbers	
			BE	NPIC
SECURED AREA CONTAINS 4 BARRACKS, ONE LARGE STORAGE BUILDING, 2 ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS, 5 SUPPORT BUILDINGS, AND A TRENCH SYSTEM.  25X1D				

## SECTION II

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<p>-LAOS-</p> <p>AIR INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN PHAN HOP AIRFIELD COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>BAN KENG KHAN KAO PROBABLE MILITARY CAMP COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN VANG NOU, POSSIBLE MILITARY CAMP COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p> <p>BAN LANG KHANG, STRONGPOINT COMOR TARGET NO [REDACTED] 25X1A [REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	<p>1732N 10544E</p> <p>1645N 10608E</p> <p>1646N 10606E</p> <p>1733N 10544E</p>	<p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p> <p>0617</p>	<p>25X1A [REDACTED]</p> <p>359</p> <p>359-A</p> <p>199-A</p>	

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<p>-NORTH VIETNAM-</p> <p>MILITARY INSTALLATIONS</p> <p>MU GIA PASS, MILITARY CAMP</p> <p>[REDACTED] 25X1D</p>	1740N 10546E	0617		116-A

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## APPENDIX

## COLUMN HEADINGS

City, Installation--This column contains the name of the city or town nearest the installation, followed by the name of the installation. If the name of the installation is not known, it is titled according to its function. Where appropriate, the city and installation names are followed by a capsule description.

Coordinates--Coordinates are referenced to the SW corner of the minute square. When the subject installation covers a wide area, coordinates are given for the approximate center of the installation.

WAC--This column provides the World Aeronautical Chart number for that area in which the subject installation is situated.

Installation Numbers--This column is divided into two subcolumns. The first subcolumn lists, when known, the BE installation number assigned to the installation. The second subcolumn lists the installation number assigned by NPIC. Installation numbers, when used to reference an item, should be prefixed by the appropriate WAC number, since installation numbers are repeated from WAC to

WAC. For example, there is an NPIC target number 0499-15-A and an NPIC target number 0498-15-A. In each instance, the NPIC installation number is 15-A, but the installations appear on different WAC charts.

## COMOR TARGET NUMBERS

Target numbers assigned by the Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance (COMOR), when available, are listed directly above the photo reference data.

## PHOTO REFERENCE DATA

The photo reference data indicates the frame(s) on which the installation appears.

## CONDITIONS AFFECTING PHOTOGRAPHY

Following the photo reference data, symbols indicate conditions which affect the appearance of the installation on the photography. The symbols are: C (clear); SC (scattered clouds); HC (heavy clouds); SC-HC (scattered-to-heavy clouds); H (haze); CS (cloud shadow); SD (semi-darkness); O (obliquity); and PQ (poor image quality).

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